



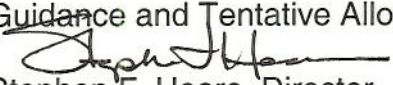
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: FY2008 Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) State Program Grants' Guidance and Tentative Allotments

FROM: 
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TO: Regional Drinking Water Program Managers
Regions I - X

Attached for your information and use are the tentative FY2008 Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) State Grant Allotments. The tentative allotments are based on the President's budget request of \$99,100,000 for the PWSS program.

Over the next few months, as you negotiate the States' work plans and grant agreements, you should ensure that their program plans and grant applications are focused toward achieving the goals, and national targets that are, or will be, outlined in EPA's *FY2006 - 2011 Strategic Plan*, and in EPA Order 5700.7, "*Environmental Results Under Assistance Agreements*". That Order directs that EPA Program Offices are to:

- 1) link proposed assistance agreements to the Agency's Strategic Plan/GPRA architecture at the goal, objective, and, where appropriate, sub-objective level;
- 2) ensure that well-defined outputs and, to the maximum extent practicable, well-defined outcomes are appropriately addressed in assistance agreement work plans and funding recommendations; and
- 3) ensure that progress in achieving agreed-upon outputs and outcomes is adequately addressed in recipient progress reports and advanced monitoring activities.

While we recognize the need to provide flexibility to States, we believe all State programs should be focused on ensuring that the gains of the previous years' efforts are preserved and built upon. The overall objective of the PWSS program grant is to protect public health by ensuring that:

- drinking water systems, of all types, and of all sizes, that are currently in compliance, remain in compliance;
- drinking water systems, of all types, and of all sizes, that are not currently in compliance, achieve compliance;
- drinking water systems, of all types, and of all sizes, are preparing to comply with any new drinking water regulations that will be taking effect in FY 2008.

In addition, even though we have made progress toward improving data quality, we still have significant work to do in this area. A portion of each State's PWSS grant should be devoted to ensuring that data quality and other data problems are being addressed. Specifically that:

- water system compliance determinations are consistent with the Federal and State regulations; and
- the required inventory, compliance, and enforcement data being provided to EPA is accurate and complete.

Finally, please keep in mind that EPA Order 5700.6, *"Policy on Compliance, Review and Monitoring"*, which was revised on January 8, 2004, requires that you develop and carry out a post-award monitoring plan and conduct basic monitoring for every award. From the programmatic standpoint, this monitoring should ensure satisfaction of five core areas:

- 1) compliance with all programmatic terms and conditions;
- 2) correlation of the recipient's work plan/application and actual progress under the award;
- 3) availability of funds to complete the project,
- 4) proper management of and accounting for equipment purchased under the award, and
- 5) compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements of the program.

Given the variations among the Regions, you may determine what level of monitoring is appropriate for the PWSS grants as long as you comply with the Office of Water and Agency requirements. Advanced monitoring activities must be documented in the official grant file and the Grantee Compliance Database.

When we get a FY2008 Appropriation and an Operating Plan, we will calculate the final FY2008 PWSS Program allotments. As always, the final allotments will be the

same as the tentative allotments unless the funds appropriated for the program differ from the President's budget request. Should that occur, we will recalculate the allotments, using the same inventory, population, and geographical data as was used to calculate the tentative allotments. The only change will be the amount of money to be distributed.

If you have any questions about the State grant calculations, please give me a call, or have your staff call Monica Peña Martinez on (202) 564-2575.

Attachment

TENTATIVE FY2008 PWSS GRANT ALLOTMENTS
Based on the President's Budget Request of \$99,100,000

CT	\$1,327,500
ME	\$918,600
MA	\$1,136,200
NH	\$1,139,900
RI	\$486,500
VT	\$765,100
REGION 1 TOTAL	\$5,773,800
NJ	\$1,933,100
NY	\$4,682,800
PR	\$738,100
VI	\$227,800
REGION 2 TOTAL	\$7,581,800
DC Direct Implementation	\$359,700
DE	\$543,200
MD	\$1,531,700
PA	\$4,119,700
VA	\$2,060,700
WV	\$807,200
REGION 3 TOTAL	\$9,422,200
AL	\$874,400
FL	\$3,703,800
GA	\$2,179,100
KY	\$782,400
MS	\$1,215,300
NC	\$3,181,900
SC	\$1,025,700
TN	\$1,071,600
REGION 4 TOTAL	\$14,034,200
IL	\$3,024,100
IN	\$1,986,800
MI	\$4,229,800
MN	\$2,464,000
OH	\$2,843,500
WI	\$3,385,500
REGION 5 TOTAL	\$17,933,700

AR	\$918,100
LA	\$1,340,200
NM	\$1,050,400
OK	\$1,341,200
TX	\$5,680,900
REGION 6 TOTAL	\$10,330,800
IA	\$1,355,700
KS	\$1,087,400
MO	\$1,915,700
NE	\$964,100
REGION 7 TOTAL	\$5,322,900
CO	\$1,416,900
MT	\$1,223,300
ND	\$648,800
SD	\$710,600
UT	\$840,000
WY Direct Implementation	\$719,900
REGION 8 TOTAL	\$5,559,500
AZ	\$1,387,400
CA	\$6,084,900
HI	\$463,700
NV	\$790,000
AS	\$123,200
GU	\$122,700
NMI	\$159,000
REGION 9 TOTAL	\$9,130,900
AK	\$2,283,200
ID	\$1,163,100
OR	\$1,558,600
WA	\$2,627,000
REGION 10 TOTAL	\$7,631,900
 Tribal PWSS Support Program (to be allotted separately)	 \$6,378,300
 NATIONAL TOTALS:	 \$99,100,000

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- The distribution of the Tribal PWSS Program is not yet complete. These funds will be distributed/allotted among the Regions via separate correspondence.